# MEsOZOIC INSECTS OF QUEENSLAND. 

No.l. Planipennia, 'Trichoptera, and the new Order Protomecoptera.

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## (Plates vii.-ix., and seven Text-figs.)

## Introduction.

The present paper deals with a portion of the very interesting fossil insects recently obtained from the Ipswich Beds by Mr. B. Dunstan, Chief Government Geologist of Queensland, to whom I am much indebted for the opportunity of studying such fine and, in many respects, unique material. This collection may be looked upon as the third collection of insect fossils made at Ipswich. The first, or Simmonds Collection, was made in 1890 by Mr. T. H. Simmonds, of Brisbane, and the specimens were described by Etheridge and Olliff in the same year.* In 1909, Mr. Dunstan made a second collection of insects from the same locality. These were sent to me for study in 1913, together with some fossil insects from other beds in Queensland and New South Wales. All these were dealt with in a paper published last year by the Queensland Geological Survey. $\dagger$ In this paper,

[^0]the total of named Ipswich fossils was brought up to twenty-two, representing the following Orders:-

| Order. |  |  |  | $G$ Genera. | Species. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Blattoidea | $\ldots$ |  | $\ldots$ | 1 | 1 |
| Protorthoptera | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | 2 |
| Coleoptera | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 14 |
| Odonata ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | I |
| Mecoptera | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1 |  |
| Lepidoptera | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1 | 1 |
| Protohemiptera | ... |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Hemiptera | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 |
| Total, s | .. | ... | $\ldots$ | 13 | 22 |

In dealing with the stratigraphy of the Ipswich Beds,* Mr. Dunstan places the fossil insect bed as most probably Upper Triassic. The assemblage of insects so far revealed from these beds comprises a series of forms which, judged by the succession of strata in the Northern Hemisphere, range from Upper Carboniferous to Jurassic; some of the latter differing very little from forms still living in Australia to-day. It would seem to be useless to discuss, at present, the question of the exact age of the Ipswich fossil insect bed, since the data required for correlation with beds of known age are not yet available. What is of importance to entomologists, however, is the fact that the Ipswich Insects are undoubtedly, in most respects, more specialised than the Upper Carboniferous and Permian Insects of the Northern Hemisphere; while, at the same time, they are, on the whole, undoubtedly more archaic than the assemblage of forms known from the Lower Lias. To give a striking example, the dragonfly Mesophlebia antinodalis Tillyard, from Ipswich, is intermediate between the Carboniferous Protodonata, in which no nodus was formed, and the Liassic Odonata, in which the same structure of the wing was completely formed. In other words, the intermediate condition of nodus-formation, seen in

[^1]Mesophlebia, is the condition that would be expected to be found in Triassic dragontlies from the Northern Hemisphere, if such were available. Similarly, it will be seen that the Caddis.flies described in this paper are definitely more archaic than the known Liassic forms. The value of the Ipswich fossils, therefore, lies in this, that they are gradually filling up the gaps left in Insect Phylogeny, by the unfortunate hiatus in the Trias of the Northern Hemisphere. Whether we designate these fossils as Triassic or Trias-Jura matters little, in comparison with the fact that they contain, amongst their number, forms which, if they were ever present in the Northern Hemisphere, could only have been Triassic.

Chiefly as a result of the interest attached to the specimens described by me from Mr. Dunstan's 1909 collection, further work was carried on at Ipswich in 1915-16. Owing to the sharp angle of dip, the fossil bed cannot be followed down very far without removing a great deal of overburden. Under Mr. Dunstan's close supervision, this has been carefully carried out by Mr. Wilcox, the shale being removed in large pieces to the Geological Survey in Brisbane, where it was delaminated with great care. The rock taken from some distance below the originally exposed surface has proved hard, and not easily delaminable. It would also appear to be much poorer in insect fossils than the rock nearer the surface; but this may be, in reality, only due to the difficulty of splitting it up sufticiently. The result of the examination of a considerable quantity of this rock has been the formation of the new collection of Ipswich fossil insects, which I hope to deal with in this series of papers. Mr. Dunstan informs me that the total number of specimens approaches two hundred. Most of these, however, are either Coleopterous elytra, Blattoid tegmina, or fragments of wings that do not merit a name; so that the number of recognisable new forms will be very much smaller. The study of these forms is a matter of great difficulty, requiring much care and maturity of thought. With an entirely new type of wing, it is much wiser to withhold publication for at least a year, while the peculiarities of the venation can be turned over and over in one's
mind, and a matured judgment given. Thus I have found it impossible to offer a complete account of these fossils in a single paper, without serious delay in the writing of it. The alternative is to deal with each Order separately, and to publish the results in a series of shorter papers. This I have determined to do. The present paper, dealing with the Orders Planipennia and Trichoptera, and the new Order Protomecoptera, is the first of this series.

## Order NEUROPTERA PLANIPENNTA.

## Family Prohemerobidde Handlisch.

Genus Protopsychopsis, n.g. (Plate vii., fig.3).
Wings broad, moderately pointed, with a large number of forked apical veins. Costal margin moderately broad (not as broad as in Psychopsis), with numerous costal cross-veins, some forked. Sc and R separated by cross-veins; distally, Sc and R approach close to one another some little distance before the apex, and are there joined by the last of a series of cross-veins; at this point, the end of Sc turns obliquely upwards as a slanting forked vein to the costal border, while R runs almost straight on, to end somewhat above the apex. $R$ and Ris more widely separated than are Sc and R ; numerous cross-veins traverse the space between them, and continue well beyond the last crossvein from Sc to $R$. Rs gives off at least twelve branches ( $S_{1^{-}}$ $\mathrm{S}_{12}$ ), running longitudinally through the wing at a slight inclination from Rs, and subparallel to one another. The crossveins between these branches of Rs are exceedingly delicate, and only discernible in strong oblique light. There are two rows of gradate veins arranged into almost complete transverse lines across the wing; the more distal series lies below the extreme ending of Sc on the wing-margin, and runs from R down to $S_{12}$; the more proximal series lies twice as far from the apex as does the former series, and runs from $S_{3}$ to $S_{12}$. Between these lies an intermediate series, forming a set of steps from $S_{2}$ to below $\mathrm{S}_{12}$; this series starts close to the outer series, then curves a way from it, and ends up below $S_{12}$ very close to the inner series.

Some other scattered cross-veins are present, but are not easily discernible. [Rest of wing missing].

Genotype, Protopsychopsis venosn, n.sp.
This genus would appear to be very closely allied to bronguiartiella Handlirsch, and Mesopsychopsis Handlirsch, both Jurassic forms, but differs from them in possessing a broader costal field apically, and in the presence of the three gradate series. It is also undoubtedly closely allied to our Australian genus $l$ 'sychop sis, which is one of the most archaic forms of Planipennia still existing. The arrangement of the gradate series, some as complete straight lines across the wing, and some as step-veins, is exactly that found in Psychopsis. Protopsychopsis, however, differs from Psychopsis in not having the costal field unduly widened, and in lacking (as far as we can see in the frag ment preserved) the multiple forkings of the costal crossveins, and their breaking up by cross-veinlets, which is characteristic of Psychopsis. Also, in Psychopsis, Sc and R stand further apart, and there is a linking-up of Sc, R, and Rs distally by two strong cross-veins, which close off the closely-veined marginal area
 from the three strong main veins with their intermediate crossveins. In Psychopsis illidgei, however, this arrangement remains only partially completed, so that Protopsychopsis venosa, l'sychopsis illidyei, and Ps. eleguns, for instance, form (for this character) a phylogenetic series, as shown in 'lext-fig.1.

There can be little doubt that our recent genus Psychopsis is a direct descendant from a form similar to Protopsychopsis.

[^2]That being so, it becomes questionable whether Handlirsch's family Prohemerobiide ought to be retained, especially as the name is misleading, and suggests that they were aucestors of the Hemerobidee, with which they almost certainly had nothing to do. All these forms might well be classed as I'sychopsider.

Protopsychopsis venosa, n.sp. (Plate viii., fig.3).
Characters as for the genus. [Only the apical portion of the wing preserved]. All the venation beautifully preserved, except for the more basal portion above sic, which is indistinct. 'The furrows between the sectors are very clearly shown, but have not been drawn in the plate, in order to keep the renational scheme quite obvious.

Measurements of fragment: greatest length $9 \cdot 5 \mathrm{~mm}$., greatest breadth 7.3 mm . The complete wing would probably be 30 mm . long, and 15 mm . across at its greatest width.

Ty pe, Specimen No.160r. (Coll. Queensland Geol. Survey).

## Order 'THIC'HOP'ERA.

Family Mesopsichide, fam.hov. (Plate vii.).
Characters of Forewing. - A long pterostigmatic region present, not strongly chitinised, closed off proximally by a crossvein between Sc and R . Costal space with extra crossveins present. $R_{1}$ joined to $R_{2}$ near apex by means of a crossvein or oblique posterior branch. All five apical forks present, and at least one of them divided into tuo or more separate cells, by cross-veins not present in recent forms. Apical fork 2 with wing point present. Discoidal and median cells present, completely closed, separated by an extra closed (subdiscoidal) cell between $\mathrm{R}_{5}$ and $\mathrm{M}_{1}$. Thyridium-cell present or absent. Cubital veins variable. [Anal area not preserved].

With the ahove definition of the family, the two beautiful forewings represented in the present collection may be placed in two separate genera as follows :-
Thyridimm-cell absent: apical fork 2 divided into three polygonal cells, by means of two cross-veins and zig-zagging of $R_{4}$ and $R_{5} \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$
(ienus Mesopsiche, n.g.
Thyridium-cell present; apical fork 3 divided into two cells.
Genus Triassopsyche, n.g.

Genus Mesopsyche, n.g. (Text-fig.2, and Plate vii., fig.1).
To the characters of the family, as given above. we add the following generic characters:- Two costal cross-veins preserved (prohably three or more in complete wing). Sc and R run parallel and very close together. Pterostigmatic resion long and narrow, the proximal cross-vein descending obliquely from Sc at its distal end. $R_{1}$ joined to $\mathrm{K}_{2}$ by a single backwardly


Text-fig. ${ }^{2}$.
Restoration of forewing of Mexopsyche triurcolutu, 11.g. et sp., ( $\times 7$ ) For lettering, see Explanation of Plates.
slanting cross-vein above Af.1. Discoidal cell ( $d c$ ) elongated, hexagonal, with Af. 1 and Af. 2 both sessile upon it. Beyond distal side of $d c$, an extra cross-vein comnects $\mathbf{K}_{3}$ with $\mathrm{K}_{4}$. In Af. 2 , three separate cells (Text-fig. $\dot{2}, p d c$ ) are formed by means of $t$ wo connecting cross-veins and weak zig-zagging of $R_{4}$ and $R_{5}$. Wing-point ( $s p^{\prime}$ ) placed in Af. 2 not far from the forking of $\mathrm{l}_{4}$ from $\mathbf{R}_{5}$. Suldiscoidal cell ( $s d c$ ) elongated, hexagonal. Median cell ( $m c$ ) an irregular pentagon, with Af. 4 strongly sessile upon it, Af.3 just arising from its upper distal angle. Thyridium ( $t$ ) placed directly under the main forking of Ris. Thyridium-cell ( $t \boldsymbol{c}$ ) absent. Cu apparently fused with M basally, cuff placed well basad (under second costal cross-vein) and consequently Af.5 of great length.

So much of this wing is preserved, with the details of venation beautifully clear, that there is no difticulty in restoring it to
its complete form. This I have done in Text-fig.2. The only doubtful point is as to the form of the anal area, which I have restored on the typical Trichopterous plan of a long curved arculus (arc), with veins 2 A and 3 A falling obliquely upon it from above.

Genotype, Mesopsyche triareolata, n.sp.

## Mesopsyche triareolata, insp.

(Text-fig.2, and Plate viii., fig.1).
Forewing elongated, rather narrow, the anterior border scarcely curved at all right from base to tip. Distal half of wing tapering to a bluntly pointed tip. Af. 1 at apex of wing, Af. 2 well below it.

Greatest length of fragment, 13 mm .; greatest breadth, $5 \cdot 8 \mathrm{~mm}$. Total length of restored wing, about 16.5 mm . Probable expanse of wings in the original insect, 33 mm .

Type, Specimen No. 110 (Coll. Queensland Geol. Survey).
A discussion of the relationship of the genus Mesopsyche with recent forms will be found on $p$.

Genus Triassopsyche, n.g. (Text-fig.3, and Plate vii., fig.2).
To the characters of the family Mesopsychide, we add the following :-Numerous costal cross-veins present (three preserved distally in a short space). Sc and R not close together, subparallel. Towards its distal end, Sc throws off an oblique crossvein to C , and takes a short sharp bend downwards to the point at which it is connected to $\mathrm{R}_{1}$ by a cross-vein; it then continues in a gentle curve onward, finally uniting with C at a point lying nearly half-way along the total length of the pterostigmatic region (as measured from the proximal cross-vein to apex of $\mathrm{R}_{1}$ ). Consequently, pterostigmatic region very long, of irregular shape, narrowed proximally and broadened out in middle. $K_{1}$ connected with $\mathrm{K}_{2}$ by a cross-vein descending from middle of $p t$ on to dc. $\mathrm{K}_{1}$ also forks distally, the lower branch running slantingly into $\mathrm{K}_{2}$ well before the margin of the wing. Discoidal cell (ac) elongated, hexagonal, distinctly broader than in Mssopıyche, but of very similar general shape, with Af. 1 and Af. 2 both sessile
upon it. Apparently a small extra apical forking of $R_{5}$ in Af.2. Beyond $d c$, no extra cross-vein between $\mathrm{R}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{4}$. No crossveins in Af.2; the wing-point ( $s p$ ) not clearly shown, but apparently present just below the distal side of $d c$. Subdiscoidal cell (sde) present, shaped as in Mesopsyche, but considerably broader. Median cell ( $m c$ ) present, of more regular shape than in Mesopsyche. Af. 4 strongly sessile upon it. Af. 3 either slightly sessile, or just arising from its upper distal angle (as in Mesopsyche). Af. 3 divided into two cells by an extra cross-vein joining $\mathrm{M}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{M}_{2}$. Thyridium ( $t$ ) placed directly under the main forking of Rs (as in Mesopsyche). Thyridiumcell ( $t c$ ) present, elongated, pentagonal, closed off distally by a strong cross-vein from $M_{4}$ to the weakly zig-zagged $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$. A second cross-vein, parallel to this, separates off a post-thyridial cell (ptc) between $\mathrm{M}_{4}$ and $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$. Only the distal portion of Cu is preserved; apparently $\mathrm{Cu}_{2}$ fuses with 1 A not far from the wingborder, and the very irregularly formed Af. 5 is divided into two cells by means of a cross-vein dropped from $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ obliquely on to $1 \mathrm{~A}+\mathrm{Cu}_{2}$ almost at the wing-margin.

Genotype, Triassopsyche dunstani, n.sp.
Though not so well preserved as the wing of Mesopsyche, yet this fossil shows most of the details necessary for a reconstruction to be possible. Several of the cross-veins are not completely preserved (see Plate vii., fig.2). There is a roughly raised linear mark extending between $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{M}_{4}$ and $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$, which at first sight looks as if it might be covering a main vein. Fortunately, as $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ is always a well-marked convex vein, it was possible to determine this question definitely. For, in the fossil, the rein marked $C u_{1}$ is definitely convex, and hence there can be no main vein between it and $\mathrm{M}_{-1} \mathrm{M}_{4}$. The vein marked 1 A is so determined because, at the point where it is broken off proximally in the fossil, it is definitely diverging proximad from Cu. Had it been converging, it would have been determined as $\mathrm{Cu}_{2}$, and the vein marked Cun in the figures would have been considered a specialised cross-vein.

In Text-fig.3, I have attempted the restoration of this fine wing, which must be reckoned among the largest Trichopterous
wings known to have existed outside the Phryganeide and Limnephilide. The provisional restoration of the missing anal area is drawn on the same lines as that for Mesopsyche.


Text-fig.3.
Restoration of forewing of Triassopsyche dmastumi, n.g. ef sp., ( $\times J_{+}$). For lettering, see Explanation of Plates.

Triassopsyche dunstani, n.sp. (Text-fig.3, and Plate vii., fig.2).
Forewing elongated, moderately broad, both anterior and pos. terior borders well curved distally. Apex moderately pointed. Af. 2 al apex of wing, Af. 1 placed well before it.

Greatest length of fragment, 13.5 mm .; greatest breadth, $6 . \mathrm{S}$ mm . Total length of restored wing, about 19 mm . Probable expanse of wing in the original insect, 40.5 mm .

Type, Specimen No.128a. (Coll. Queensland Geol. Surver).
These two fossil wings, Mesopsyche and Triassopsyche, are of very great interest, not only because they are the oldest fussil Trichoptera yet discovered, but also because they are, in actual wing-venational structure, very much more archaic than anything yet discovered in this Order. The Liassic Necrotauliide, described from the beds of Dobbertin (Mecklenburg) and Aust (England), are a series of very small wings, ranging from 3 mm . to 7 mm . in length, the forewings possessing either four or five apical forks, the hindwings four. Most of these wings have no cross-veins, and, consequently, no closed cells of any kind. One
or two, however, have a closed discoidal cell, and one of the largest forms, Necrotaulius major Handlirsch, probably possessed a median cell as well. This latter form would come nearest to our Ipswich fossils, since it agrees with them in having both Af. 1 and Af. 2 sessile upon $d c$, and Af. 4 sessile upon mc, while Af. 3 appears to be just sessile upon the upper distal end of the same cell. In all other respects, the Necrotauliidce must be con sidered as considerably specialised by reduction, and loss of the archaic cross-venation inherited from Panorpoid ancestors.


Text-fig. 4.
Forewing of Hydropsyche sp., for comparison with Text-figs. 2 and 3. (After Ulmer).
Thus our new fossils are seen to stand in a much closer ancestral relationship with some of the more archaic present-day families than they do with the Liassic Necrotauliida; and it seems exceedingly probable that we have in Australia, alive to-day, genera directly descended from them. Unfortunately, the Australian Trichopterous fauna, though both abundant and remarkable, has so far been hardly touched,* so that we are compelled to make a more general comparison with known forms from other parts of the world. On these lines, I must indicate

[^3]the Hydropsychince as being the closest existing relatives of the Mesopsychidat, both in the general shape of the forewing, the relationships of the main reins and branches inter se, and, in particular, the structure of the discoidal and median cells (cf. Text-figs. 2, 3, 4).

If we compare the forewings of Mesopsyche and Triassopsyche with that of Mydropsyche (Text-fig.4), we shall notice the following resemblances and differences :-
(1) The general shape of Hydropsyche closely resembles that of Triassopsyche. Mesopsyche has a wing distinctly narrower than that of most Hydropsychince.
(2) Hydropsyche has lost all but the most basal of the costal cross-veins. There are, however, a number of recent genera of Hydropsychince possessing one or more extra costal cross-veins, e g., C'hloropsyche, Ethaloptera, Amphipsyche, Phanostoma, and Polymorphanisus. We may see in this a persistent archaic character handed down from ancestors closely resembling our two Tpswich genera.
(3) In Ilydropsyche, the pterostigmatic area has become reduced and left incomplete proximally, by loss of the cross-vein below Sc: There are other genera of Hydropsychince, however, in which the cross-vein still persists (e.g., Smicridea).
(4) In Hydropsyche, Af. 1 is no longer sessile upon dc, but has become distinctly stalked. Similarly, Af.: is stalked from mc. Af. $\perp$ and Af. 4 remain sessile upon $d c$ and $m c$ respectively, but not so completely as in the Mesopsychide. The character of possessing all four forks (Af.l-Af.4) sessile upon their respective cells is retained in a few recent genera, e.g., Anisocentropus in the Calamoceratide. In this latter genus, the structure of $d c$ and $m c$ and the forks arising from them very closely resembles that seen in I'riassopsyche. The importance of this character, from a phylogenetic standpoint, may perhaps be emphasised by a phylogenetic diagram (Text-fig. 5 ), in which all stages are shown, from the original archaic formation (A) down to the most advanced cænogenetic form (1)), in which the two forks are stalked. In this diagram, the cell may be taken either as $d c$ or $m c$; if the former, the upper fork is Af.l, the lower Af.2; if
the latter, the forks are Af. 3 and Af. 4 respectively. Besides this direct phylogenetic line, one or both of the forks may be lost at any stage of the reduction, by suppression of a branch. Thus, in the Leptoceridre, Oecetis (N. Zealand) keeps dc present and Af. 1 sessile, but Af. 2 is completely lost; while the allied Triplectides (Australia) has progressed one stage further, having Af 1 strongly stalked.
(5) The thyridium-cell (tc) is present in Hydropsyche and Triassopsyche, absent in Mesopsyche. If, however, the latter had a single crossvein from $\mathrm{M}_{3+4}$ to $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$, its tc would closely resemble that of IIydropsyche in shape and pusition.
(6) The excess cells of Mesopsychidce: here the Mesopsychidce offer a contrast, not only with the Hydropsychince, but with all recent Trichoptera. In the marine caddis-fly, Philanisus plebejus Walker (Australia and N. Zealand), there is a small subdiscoidal cell which


Text-fig.5.* may be comparable with the large sdc of Mesopsychider; but, in nearly all recent genera, there is nothing comparable with it. The three post-discoidal cells ( $p d c$ ) of Mesopsyche, the postmedian cell ( $p m c$ ) of Triassopsyche, and the complicated cell-

[^4]formation distally upon (' $u_{1}$ in the same genus, appear to be the archaic remains of an originally denser cross-venation, long since lost, and not seen in any recent forms.

## Order PROTOMECOPTERA, ordo nov.

Large insects, with venation of the same type as the Mecoptera, but much denser. The whole of the wing-membrane, except the pterostigma, is covered with an abundant meshwork of polygonal cellules, at the junctions of which are developed strong hairs, so that the whole of the wing is densely hairy. Hairs are also present upon the main veins and transverse veins.

Between Sc and anterior border of wing, a strong costal vein (C) is present, supported above and below by cross-veins, and ending at least half-way along the anterior border. Upon the apical border of the wing, between the end of R and the end of $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$, no less than seventeen longitudinal veins abut (only nine in Mecoptera). Venation of fore- and hindwings closely similar. Apical half of wing with many elongated polygonal cells of large size present (five- to seven-sided). A smooth membranous pterostigma present upon the distal end of $R$ in both wings, and extending into the space between $K$ and Rs, where it ends posteriorly upon a distinct pterostigmatic furrow ( $p t f^{\circ}$ ), parallel to Rs.

The principal differences between the Orders Mecoptera and Protomecoptera may be best exhibited in the following table:-

|  | Protomecoptera. | Mecoptera. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Size | Expanse 100 mm . or orer | Expanse 15-50 mm. |
| Costal rein... ... | present | absent |
| Fine polygonal network) of cellnles | present | absent |
| Hair: ... ... | present, both on veins and membrane | absent, or only very minute hairs present. |
| Number of longitudinal veins abutting on apical portion of wing-margin, between R and $\mathrm{Cr}_{1}$ | seventeen | nine |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number of apical forks? } \\ & \text { in same area } \end{aligned}$ | eight | five |

This new Order is proposed for the reception of a very remarkable fossil from the Ipswich beds, represented by foreand hindwings, very beautifully preserved The insect forms the direct connecting link between the Palaozoic Palaodictyoptera on the one hand, and the recent Mecoptera on the other. The Palæodictyopterous character is seen in the primitive, almost Blattoid, scheme of venation (which is, of course, preserved also better in Mecoptera than in any other recent Order, but with great reduction), and the presence, in its last stage of evolution, of the dense reticular meshwork of polygonal cellules so characteristic of this ancient Order. In the Yrotomecoptera, as exemplified by this Ipswich fossil, the development of hairs upon both veins and membrane is very pronounced; and the wings exhibit, in a remarkable manner, the method by which hairs first appeared upon the wing-membrane; just as Mesogereon, another Ipswich fossil, exhibits the first formation of tubercles in the Hemipteroid wing. Another exceedingly archaic character, long since lost in most insect-wings, is the presence of a true costal vein, not fused with the costal border of the wing.

The Mecopterous characters are very obvious, for the wings are clearly built upon the Panorpid renational plan. The essentials of this are-
(1) Close similarity between fore- and hindwings, with only slight differences in venation.
(2) Symmetrical dichotomous branchings (bilateral forks) of Rs and M, as opposed to the unilateral or unsymmetrical forkings of these same veins seen in the Odonata, Neuroptera, etc.
(3) 'ransverse veins few, and so arranged as to support the bilateral forks. Thus are formed the typically Panorpoid elongated polygonal cells of large size, and varying from five to seven sides. The true Mecoptera have, typically, twelve of these cells lying completely within the wing between Rs anteriorly and $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{M}_{4}$ posteriorly, but the number may be reduced by suppression of cross-veins. In some fossil Mecoptera, the number may be greater. In the Protomecoptera, there are tuenty of these same cells.

In view of the fact that some of the present-day Mecoptera,
(e.g., Panorpodes, and a new genus recently discovered in Australia) have generalised mouth-parts, with only the barest beginnings of the tendency towards the formation of the prominent beak, usually supposed to be typical of the Order, we may reasonably claim that the mouth-parts of the Protomecoptera were normally mandibulate, though they are not actually preserved for us in the fossil state.

It is important to bear in mind that true Mecopterous wings, allied to the Australian genus T'ceniochorista, have already been found in the Ipswich beds. Further, 1 am able to state definitely that very similar forms occur in the Permo-Carboniferous strata of Newcastle, N.S.W., and are being studied by me at the present time. None of these wings show the Protomecopterous characters seen in the fossil under consideration. This is a strong argument for the erection of a new Order. For it is evident that these Protomecopterous wings are far older, evolutionarily, than are the Mecopterous wings of the Permo-Carboniferous. Since, however, the Mecoptera must have descended, by reduction, from Protomecopterous forms, it follows that our Ipswich fossil must be a representative of a much older race, that not only existed side by side with the true Mecoptera in Permo-Carboniferous times, but preceded them in the Carboniferous. That is, the dichotomy between Protomecoptera and Mecoptera took place in Halæozoic times. Thus the erection of a new Order is justified on palæontological as well as on morphological grounds; for the differences between the two Orders are, both in time and degree, just such as Handlirsch has relied upon in forming most of his other fossil Orders.

We must remember, ton, the composite character of the Ipswich fauna. I have already shown that Protorthoptera exist there alongside forms differing scarcely at all from insects alive at the present day, and that Protohemiptera and Homoptera lived side by side. Alongside a true Dragonfly, there has recently been found another new type that is undoubtedly a Protodonate! Thus there is nothing surprising in the existence of Protomecoptera and true Mecoptera side by side in these fossil leds.

Family Archipanorpidet, fam.nov.
Characters as for the Order, with the following additions Large insects, with a wing-expanse of 100 mm . or orer. Pterostigma longer and narrower in hindwing than in forewing, not reaching proximally to Sc in either wing. Sc ends up on the anterior margin of the wing beyond half-way in both wings, but not so far in hindwing as in forewing. $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ ends up on posterior margin a little before the level of the pterostigma in forewing, considerably before the same level in hindwing. C'u2 probably present in both wings.

> Genus Archipanorpa, n.g.
> (Plate viii., figs.4-6; Plate ix.)

Characters as for the family, with the following additions. Forewing broadest at or near pterostigma, hindwing broadest just before half-way, and having the apical third distinctly narrower than in forewing. Ptérostigma of forewing rather short, irregularly shaped, with $R$ arching up within it, convexly to the wing-border. Pterostigma of hindwing long and narrow, with $R$ running almost straight through it.

Genotype, Archipanorpa magnifica, n sp.
Archipanorpa magnifica, n.sp. (Plate viii., figs.4-6; Plate ix.)
This species is represented by two fine fossil wings, Nos. 106a and $120 a$, in the Queensland Geological Survey's Collection. Of these, No. 106 a is the better preserved specimen. It shows the whole of the wing from the apex to a level slightly distad from the origin of Rs. A transverse fracture of the rock has destroyed the base. 'I'he tutal length of this fragment is 33 mm ., its greatest breadth 13 mm . The specimen represents a cast of a left hiudwing.

No.l $20 a$ is not so well preserved, there being two pieces cut out from the posterior margin, and two slight cracks rumning across the wing. The main fracture, which appears to be the same break that cut off the base of No.106a, (the two wings were found very close together) has cut off this wing more obliquely, and a little further from the base (see Plate viii., figs. $4-5$ ). The
total length of the fragment is 30 mm ., its greatest breadth 14 mm . It represents the mould of a right forewing.

The method of determining what wing a given specimen represents may be brietly stated as follows. In the Panorpoid wing, there are two strong and highly convex veins, viz., R and $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$. If such a wing became fossilised, and a cleavage of rock later on reveals it, there should be a cast of the wing showing R and $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ as high convex ridges, and a mould showing them as concave furrows. In the mould, also, all the veins will be concave grooves in themselves; whereas, in the cast, they will be convex rods, quite apart from whether they stand high up on ridges of the wing (as R and $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ do), or not. Now in $106 a, \mathrm{R}$ and $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ lie upon high ridges, and all the veins are convex rods; hence it must be a cast; and, as the apex lies to the left. it must be a left wing. In No.120a, R and $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ lie at the bottom of furrows, and all the veins are concave grooves; hence it must be a mould; and, as the apex lies to the left, it must have been formed by a right wing turned over, so that its underside lay uppermost.

Further, the fore- and hindwings of all Panorpids, though closely similar, differ in the following points :
(1) Sc always extends further towards the apex in the forewing than in the hindwing.
(2) In the hindwing, II tends to become fused basally with $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$, but this tendency is not so much in evidence in the forewing.
(3) In the forewing, $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ ends up on the posterior margin of the wing somewhat beyond half-way. In the hindwing, it reaches only about half-way, or less.

Now, if we compare Nos. $106 a$ and $120 a$, we see at once that Sc ends up much further from the apex in 106a than it does in $120 a$. Further, although only a small remnant of $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ is left in No.120a, yet the slant of this vein to the wing-axis is measurably less than in 106a. The measurements, carefully deter mined, give an angle of $23^{\circ}$ for No.120a, $31^{\circ}$ for No.106a. Measurements made to determine the obliquity of corresponding portions of $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ in Panorpa confusa give $22^{\circ}$ for the forewing,
$33^{\circ}$ for the hindwing. Hence we must conclude, from the combined evidence of both Sc and $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$, that No. 106 a represents a hirdwing, No.120a a forewing.

Unfortunately, not quite enough of the main stem of 11 is preserved to enable us to say definitely with what vein it tends to fuse basally. But, as the condition stated above in (2) is universally present in Panorpid wings (even in the archaic Merope, which has been claimed, with good reason, to be a Palæozoic remnant), there is no reason to suppose that the same rule did not hold for our fossil wings. Thus, in the restoration of these wings given in Plate ix., I have comelated character (2) with (1) and (3), so that fore- and hindwings are to be distinguished by three differences, as in recent Mecoptera.

The Structure and Hairiness of the IVing-membrane. - In the figures given of the two wings (Plate viii., figs.4, $\boldsymbol{5}$ ), and in their restoration (Plate ix.), I have purposely omitted the finer structure of the wing-membrane, which requires to be studied under a higher power. The structure is not everywhere equally well preserved in all parts of the wing; but a careful search soon reveals a number of places at which, by careful use of oblique light, the remarkable formation of the wing-membrane can be well studied and interpreted. Such a place is figured in Plate ix., fig. 6 , where I have drawn the structures seen upon and above one of the smaller main veins. These may be described as fullows:-
(1) Hairs upan the veins.-Following up any vein under a moderate power, there will be found, at failly regular intervals, the typical circular-based tubercles which indicate the bases of insertion of original stiff hairs or bristles upon the veins. A comparison with a cleared and mounted wing of Myrmeleon shows that these tubercles in Archipanorpa closely resemble those of Myrmeleon in size and position; if anything, those of Archipanorpe are the larger in proportion to the size of the veins, and of the wing as a whole. Thus we see that Archipanorpa had luiry veius, as in the Planipemia. Kecent Mecoptera also possess these hairs, but they are not usually so large as in Planipennia, and they are generally more abundant and closely set.
(2) Polygonal meshwork of the wing-membrane - Turning from the vein to the membrane alongside it, we notice at once that this is not smooth, but is thrown into innumerable pits and ridges, with tubercles appearing upon the latter in many places. In places where this structure is well-preserved, it will be seen that the ridges form an irregular polygonal meshwork, enclosing sunken areas or cellules (shaded in Plate viii., fig.6). The large tubercles, which resemble those of the veins, are seated principally upon the swollen junctions of the ridges. The ridges are not as well-defined as actual veinlets would be, except here and there (Text-fig.6b, cv), where a particularly strong and straight ridge may be seen rumning out for some distance from a main vein. Nor are their tubercles usually as well-defined as are those of the main veins.

'Text.fig. ${ }^{\text {(5 * }}$ *

The area shown diagrammatically in Plate viii., fig. 6 , was selected from near one of the main veins on the basal portion of the preserved part of the wing. It is a typical unspecialised meshwork. But, in most parts of the wing, and especially towards the distal end, the polygons of the meshwork tend to become stretched out transversely and somewhat obliquely to the main veins. This is represented diagrammatically in Text-fig.6b, whereas Text-fig. $6 a$ corresponds with the unspecialised portion shown in Plate viii., fig.6.

The only conclusion that I can come to, from a study of these peculiar structures, is that the ridges represent the original Palcodictyopterous meshuork of veinlets in a degenerating stage. The

[^5]most probable cause of degeneration would be the using-up of the veinlet-chitin in the formation of the accumulated masses or tubercles in which the hairs are inserted. Thus Archipanorpa would illustrate an intermediate stage in the evolution of a ring with a hairy membrane from an ancient net-veined or Palceodictyopterous wing-type, and would give us the clues both as to the method whereby an open-veined wing, such as that of the Lepidoptera or Diptera, has been evolved from a closely-veined type, and also as to the method whereby the hairs (or, later on, the scales) become seated upon the membrane as well as upon the main veins.
(3) Hairs upon the wing-membrane.-In those places where the structure of the tubercles of the wing-membrane can be most clearly made out, they are seen to be very closely similar to those upon the wing-veins, both in size and form. We can distinguish an outer raised rim (indicated by the outer circles in Plate viii., fig.6), and an inner depression or hollow (indicated by the inner circles in the same figure). There can be no doubt that these structures represent the tubercular bases of insertion of stiff bristle-like hairs; for the insertions of such hairs in the wings of recent Planipennia are exactly similar to them. I propose to call these hairs macrotrichia.

Besides these tubercles, a careful examination of the wingmembrane shows that it is covered all over with minute pits, mere depressions without any visible raised rim, and of a size so small as to be rather easily confused with the grain of the rock on which the fossil is impressed. These, I consider, represent the insertions of minute hairs, several times smaller, and far more numerous, than the macrotrichia. These hairs may be termed microtrichia. In most parts of the wing, they run in closely-set parallel lines, passing alike over ridge and hollow.

The structure of the pterostigma differs from that of the rest of the wing-memirane only in lacking the polygonal ridges, and in being of a single thickness throughout. This makes it appear very smooth in comparison with the rest of the wing. On examination under a moderate power, both macrotrichia and microtrichia can be seen to be present upon it.

The polygonal meshwork of ridges is absent from all recent Mecoptera. Microtrichia, however, are abundant all over the wing-membrane, though excessively minute in some genera (e.g., Panorpodes). Nacrotrichia are present only towards the distal end of the wing, especially in the pterostigmatic region. In the polygonal cells formed between Rs and $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$, there may be seen, in certain genera (e.g., Panorpat), two or three irregular rows of macrotrichia.

In the figures given in Plates viii.-ix., I have purposely shaded-in the pterostigma, in order to distinguish it from the rest of the wing-membrane. In the actual fossils, it is not darkened in colour.

Type, forewing, Specimen No.120، ; hindwing, Specimen No. 106a (Coll Queensland Geol. Survey).


Text-fis. 7.
Wings of Punorpa confuse Westwood, with colour-pattern omitted, to show renational scheme, $(\times 9)$. For lettering, see p. 200 .
Corrigenda : for $\mathrm{M}_{4}$ read $\mathrm{M}_{4}+\mathrm{Cu}_{12}$, and for $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ read $\mathrm{Cu}_{1 b}$.
In Text-fig. T, I have drawn the wings of Panorpe confusa Westwood, (omitting colour-pattern), for comparison with those
of Archipanorpat maynifica. The pterostigma is shaded in, as in the figures of Archipanorpu. A comparison of the two forms enables us at once to fix the limits of the main veins in Archipanorpa, and to name the principal cells of the wing. The steps of the determination may be briefly outlined as follows :-
(1) The radius (R) is a strongly-built, highly convex rein rumning through the pterostigma ( $p t$ ). Therefore I searched first of all for the pterostigma, which was easily located, both from its smoothness compared with the rest of the wing-membrane, and because of the pterostigmatic furrow ( $p t f^{\prime}$ ) bordering it posteriorly. Having found it, the radius was at once determined. There were then two other veins ending up on the anterior wing-border between the radius and the base of the wing; whereas, in l'anorpa, as in all recent insects, there is only one (the subcosta, Sc). It became clear, therefore, that Archipanorpa possessed not only a subcostal vein, Sc, but also an archaic costal vein, $\mathbf{C}$, separated from the costal or anterior border, as in some of the larger Carboniferous fossils (e.g., the Meganeuride of the Order Protodonata).
(2) Turning next to the area of the wing below R , in specimen No.106a (hindwing), the cubitus, $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$, is easily determined as a strongly convex, obliquely-running vein, ending about half-way along the posterior border. Between this and R, basally, there lie two main stems, of which the upper must be the radial sector, Rs , (its point of union with R is not preserved in the fossil), and the lower must be the media, M.
(3) The first forking of Rs is preserved in the fossil. Here Rs divides into $\mathrm{R}_{2+3}$ above, and $\mathrm{R}_{4+5}$ below. The cell enclosed betwren these two veins basally is the discoidal cell (dc). $\mathbf{R}_{2+3}$ again forks into $R_{2}$ and $R_{3}, R_{4+5}$ into $R_{4}$ and $R_{5}$, and both are sessile upon $d c$, as in the two Trichopterous wings already dealt with. The area enclosed between $\mathrm{R}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{3}$ would be, in Trichoptera, the first apical fork (Af. 1 in Text-figs.2-4). But, in most Mecoptera, $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{v}}$ forks again into $\mathrm{R}_{2 \mathrm{a}}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{2 \mathrm{~b}}$ (Text-fig.7). This occurs in Archipanorpa; but, above and bevond this, Reb, forks a second time into $\mathrm{R}_{2 \mathrm{~b}}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{2 \mathrm{~h}}$. Moreover, $\mathrm{K}_{3}$, which remains unforked in both Trichoptera and Mecoptera, in Archi-
panorpa divides into $\mathrm{R}_{3 a}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{3 \mathrm{~b}}$, and each of these again divides* before reaching the wing-border.
(4) The area enclosed between $R_{4}$ and $R_{5}$ would be, in Trichoptera, the second apical fork (Af. 2 in Text-figs.2-4). In Mecoptera, this area is often subdivided by a cross-vein (Textfig.6). In Archipanorpa, both $R_{4}$ and $R_{5}$ divide into two again before reaching the wing-border. Thus Rs, which in Trichoptera sends four veins to the apical wing-border, and in Mecoptera five, sends no less than nine such veins to the border in the hindwing of Archipanorpa, eight in the forewing.
(5) Turning next to the media (M), we see that the thyridium ( $t$ ), or median fork, is clearly preserved in both wings, lying just below the first forking of Rs. As this is its position also in the two Trichopterous wings already dealt with, we are probably right in assuming that it is the archaic condition, and that a shifting of the thyridium to a level distad from the level of the first forking of the radius (as in Panorpu, Text-fig.7; and in many recent Caddis-flies) is a cænogenetic character. The cell below $t$ is the thyridial cell ( $t c$ ), and is only partially preserved in both wings. At $t, \mathrm{M}$ forks into $\mathrm{M}_{1+2}$ above and $\mathrm{M}_{3+4}$ below, and the two branches enclose between them the median cell $(m c)$. $\mathrm{M}_{1+2}$ then divides into $\mathrm{M}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{M}_{2}$, and $\mathrm{M}_{3+4}$ into $\mathrm{M}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{M}_{4}$; and the forks thus made are sessile upon $m c$, as in the two fossil Trichopterous wings already studied, and in recent Mecoptera (Text-tig. 7).
(6) The area enclosed between $M_{1}$ and $M_{2}$ would be, in all Tri_ choptera and true Mecoptera, the third apical fork (Af.3, in Text-figs.2-4). In Archipanorpa, both $\mathrm{M}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{M}_{2}$ fork again; in the hindwing, the two middle branches fuse together, so that only three separate veins reach the wing-border, instead of four as in the forewing. This difference offsets the difference in the behaviour of $R_{3}$ in the two wings (see above), and makes the total number of apical end-veins the same in both wings (viz., seventeen between R and $\mathrm{Cu}_{\mathrm{t}}$ ).
( $\sqrt{ }$ ) The area enclosed between $\mathrm{M}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{M}_{4}$ would be, in all Trichoptera and true Mecoptera, the fourth apical fork (Af. 4 in Text-figs.2-4). The archaic condition of this fork is that it is

[^6]very strongly sessile upon $m c$; in other words, $\mathrm{M}_{3+4}$ again divides before it has passed far from $t$ round the border of $m c . \quad \mathrm{M}_{3}$ continues on as the lower border of $m c$, and passes on to the wingborder without branching, in Archipanorpa as in all Trichoptera and Mecoptera. $\mathbf{M}_{4}$, in Archipanorpa and all Mecoptera, behaves differently from what it does in most Trichoptera (see, however, the formation in Text-fig.3). Diverging strongly from $\mathrm{M}_{3}$, it picks up a branch $\mathrm{Cu}_{1_{1}}$ thrown out anteriorly from $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$. In Mecoptera (Text-fig.7), the two fuse and continue on to the wing-border as $\mathrm{M}_{4}+\mathrm{Cu}_{1 \mathrm{a}}$. In Archipanorpa, they only fuse for a short distance, and then run separately to the wing-border.
(8) Thus far, the structure of the wing is clear. Below and basad from $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$, not enough is preserved for us to be sure of the structure of the anal area. In all recent Mecoptera, $\mathrm{Cu}_{2}$ is present in the forewing (arising from $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ very close to the wingbase), but absent in the hindwing. It would appear that the original Cu is completely altered in the hindwing, $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ having become fused with M , and $\mathrm{Cu}_{2}$ with 1 A . The remnants of the base of $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ are to be seen as a short, weak, waved vein running in a curve from the base to join M a short distance beyond the base (Text-fig.7). Bearing in mind the archaic structure of Archipanorpa, the presence of many longitudinal veins, and especially the presence of the costal vein $C$ in both wings, I think the probabilities are all in favour of a normal $\mathrm{Cu}_{2}$ being present in the hindwing of Archipanorpa. I have, therefore, restored the wing on that supposition. The suggested anal area calls for no comment. The complete restoration of both wings is given in Plate ix.

With regard to the question of the wing-coupling apparatus, it has generally been assumed that the Mecoptera are descended from forms in which the wings were free and unconnected in flight. But, in a new family of the Order which I have recently discovered in Tasmania, I was surprised to find a well-developed wing-coupling apparatus present, consisting of jugal lobe on the forewing, and jugal process with frenulum on the hindwing. As in the Planipennia and in the females of most moths, the frenulum consists of two strong bristles directed obliquely outwards. Following up this discovery, I examined other genera of

Panorpids, and discovered that the frenulum is present in all forms examined by me, though only vestigial in the highly specialised Bittacide. Hence it is clear that the ancestors of the Mecoptera must have possessed the wing-coupling apparatus in a welldeveloped form; so that its inclusion in the restoration of the wing of Archipanorpa (Plate ix.; $j$ l, jugal lobe: $j p$, jugal process; $f r$, frenulum) needs no further apology or explanation.

## WING-NOTATLON USED IN PLATEK AND TENT-FIGUREN.

1.A, first anal vein-2A, second anal vein, or axillary vein-3A, third anal vein, or basilar vein-4A, fourth anal vein (rarely present)- $\mathrm{Af}_{1}, \mathrm{Af}_{\mathrm{g}}$. $\mathrm{Af}_{:}, \mathrm{Af}_{4}, \mathrm{Af}_{5}$, the five apical forks, or end-forks, formed between the final bifurcations of the main reins- $C$, costal rein-cs, costal space- Cu, cubitus- $\mathrm{Cn}_{1}, \mathrm{Cu}_{2}$, its primary branches- $\mathrm{Cu}_{1 \mathrm{n}}$, upper branch of $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$ in Mecoptera; $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$. continuation of $\mathrm{Cu}_{1}$-c ${ }^{\prime} f^{\prime}$, cubital fork-dc, discoidal cell- $i$, frenulum- $j$, jugal lobe- $i p$, jugal process- $M$, media- $M_{1}, M_{2}$, $\mathrm{M}_{3}, \mathrm{MI}_{4}$, its four main branches. (Further branchings are denoted by $\mathrm{Cu}_{\mathrm{l}_{w}}$ suffixes $a$ and $h$ ). -m $m$, median cell-pcs, precostal space (in Protomecoptera) - $\mu$ ulc, post-discoidal cell- $\mu m c$, postmedian cell- $\mu t$, pterostigma-ptc, post-thyridial cell-ptf, pterostigmatic furrow- R , radius; $\mathrm{R}_{1}$, its main stem-rf. radial fork-Rs, radial sector; $R_{2}, R_{3}, R_{4}, R_{5}$, its four main branches. (Further branchings are denoted by suffixes $u$ and $b$, and branchings of these by $a, a^{\prime}$, or $\left.b, b^{\prime}\right)$.- $S_{1}-S_{12}$, branches of Rs in Plani-pennia-Sic, subcosta-se\%, subcostal space-sde, subdiscoidal cell-sme, submedian cell- $t$, thyridium ( $=$ median fork) -tc, thyridial cell.

## EAPLANATION OF PLATES VII.-IX. <br> Plate vii. (Trichoptera).

Fig. 1.-Mesopsyche triarolata, n.g. et sp. Forewing; $(\times 7 \cdot 5)$.
Fig.2.-Triassopsyche dmatani, n.g. et sp. Forewing; ( $\times 7 \cdot \bar{\circ}$ ).
Plate viii. (Planipemnia and Protomecoptera).
Fig.3.-Protopsychopsis renosa, n.g. et sp. Portion of wing; ( $\times$ i) .
Fig.t.-A rchipanorpe maynịica, n.g. et sp. Forewing; (xis).

Fig.f.-Archipenorfe magnifica, n.g. et sp. A small portion of the hindwing, showing part of a main rein carrying the basal tubercles of three macrotrichia, and the membrane above it, with its polygonal meshwork (the ridges left mishaded). basal tubercles of eleven macrotrichia (double concentric circles), and small pits for insertions: of microtrichia (in black). Semi-diagrammatic: $(\times 73)$.

Plate is.
Restoration of fore- and hindwings of Archipanorpa magnitica, n.g. et sp.; (-4\%).


[^0]:    * The Mesozoic and Tertiary Insects of New South Wales [and Queensland]. Geol. Survey of N.S.W. Memoirs, Palæontology, No.7, pp.9-22, two plates, 1890.
    $\dagger$ Mesozoic and Tertiary Insects of Queensland and New South Wales. Queensland Geol. Survey, Publication No.253, pp.1-47, nine plates, six text-figs, 1916. (Stratigraphical Features, by B. Dunstan, pp.1-13).

[^1]:    * Op. cit., No.253, pp.1-13.

[^2]:    * Phylogeny of the distal ends of sic, R, and Rs in Protopsychopsis and Paychop*ix. A, oldest stage (Protop×ychop×is renosu, n.g. et sp.). B,
     xis eleganx (iuér.), with the three veins strongly linked together by crossveins.

[^3]:    * Only thirteen species have, so far, heen described from Australia and Tasmania; but I have, in my own collection alone, nearly a hundred species, many being closely related to New Zealand forms,

[^4]:    *Phylogeny of a principal cell in the wings of Trichoptera. A, oldest stage, with both end-forks sessile upon the cell. B-C, successive reductionstages towards D, the cænogenetic stage, with both end-forks stalked. At any stage, the cross-vein completing the cell distally may be lost, or one of the forks may be reduced to a simple vein.- $c$, the cell; $r$, the main vein, $v_{1+2}, v_{3+4}$, its branches enclosing the cell basally; $c_{1}, v_{2}$, the branches enclosing the upper fork, $f ; r_{3}, r_{4}$, the branches enclosing the lower fork, $f^{\prime \prime}$; ( $c$ represents either $d c$ or $m c$; $v$, either Rs or M).

[^5]:    * Diagrams of the Paleodictyopterous meshwork upon the membrane of the wing of Archipanorpa maymifica, n.g. et sp.,-a, from near base of preserved portion of wing (corresponding with Plate viii., fig.6); $h$, from distal portion of wing, showing tendency of the mesh to become stretched transversely and somewhat obliquely across the wing, $(\times 20)$; $c r$, a strong cross-vein, not yet obliterated; m:, main vein, with macrotrichia omitted. The figure is intended to show only the position, and not the structure of the meshwork.

[^6]:    * In the hindwing; in the forewing, only the lower fork divides.

